your exemplary conduct a standard has been established and maintained never before attained by any army. With mind and body as clean and strong as the decisive blows you delivered against the foe, you are soon to return to the pursuits of peace. In leaving the scenes of your victories, may I ask that you carry home your high ideals and continue to live as you have served—an honor to the principles for which you have fought and to the fallen comrades you leave behind.

It is with pride in your success that I extend to you my sincere thanks for your splendid service to the army and to the nation.

Faithfully,

(Signed) JOHN J. PERSHING, Commander in Chief.

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ROBERT C. DAVIS, Adjutant General.